

League of Women Voters Greater Hartford Newsletter

March 2021

Calendar 2021

LWVGH Board Meeting April 11, 2021

LWVGH Annual Meeting: May 4, 2021 @ 6:30PM Senator Blumenthal is the guest speaker.

Do you have a question to ask the Senator? Send them to karen_licht@yahoo.com

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LWVGH – Website Under Revision

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Annual Meeting

Members will receive an invitation from lwvgreaterhartford@gmail.com with a link to join the Zoom meeting at 6:30 PM on 5/4/2021. It includes the League's Annual Report: a summary of 2020-2021 actitivies. The report has the Amendment to the bylaws with the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Policy language recommended by LWVUS. Please remember to vote when you receive our survey whether you or are not in favor of adopting this amendment. Upon completion of LWVGH business Senator Blumenthal will update us on what is happening in the Senate.

Join LWVGH's Executive Board

The Executive Board is looking for new members to serve as At Large Directors for the year beginning June 1, 2021. You will attend a monthly meeting via Zoom and help to advance the many facets of running our League. For more information please contact Libby Swietek Eswietek@gmail.com Remember- Democracy is not a Spectator Sport

LWVGH Website

We need help building LWVGH's website, updating Twitter and supporting communication through our email. If you have experience or interest in learning about electronic communications, contact Doretta at 860-670-5016 or doretta.andonucci@gmail.com.

Advocacy Update on Voting Rights

Action requested by LWVCT

Action time range: March11,2021 to April 2, 2021

No Excuse Absentee Voting (NEAV) resolution and the Early Voting (EV) resolution were reported favorably out of the General Administration and Elections (GAE) Committee on March 5. They are ready to be raised for a vote in the General Assembly. Get the House and Senate to pass HJ 58 for No-Excuse Absentee Voting by a supermajority of 75% and the HJ 59 for Early Voting by at least a simple majority.

Action: If you believe CT voters should amend the State Constitution and remove the restrictive language that currently prevents Early Voting and No-Excuse Absentee Voting - let your legislator know and ask them to cosponsor!

After these resolutions pass in the CGA, they appear on the ballot for voters to decide. If both pass this year (NEAV by a supermajority) they will appear on the 2022 ballot.

Find your legislators at https://www.cga.ct.gov/default_asp

Read the LWVCT Action Alert to learn more.